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"AN ACT CONCERNING CLEAN CARS."

1 Strike lines 1 to 121, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) As used in sections 3
4 and 4 of this act:

5 (1) "Motor vehicle" means motor vehicle, as defined in section 14-1
6 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes, except that for purposes
7 of this section, motor vehicle is limited to vehicles with gross vehicle
8 weight rating, as defined in said section 14-1, of ten thousand pounds
9 or less; and

10 (2) "Greenhouse gas" means greenhouse gas, as defined in section
11 22a-200 of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes.

12 Sec. 2. (*Effective October 1, 2006*) Not later than October 1, 2006, the

13 Department of Environmental Protection, in consultation with the
14 Governor's Steering Committee on Climate Change, shall conduct a
15 study to determine the motor vehicle greenhouse gas emission
16 reductions necessary to meet the goals of section 22a-200a of the
17 general statutes. The department shall include its findings,
18 accompanied by any recommended legislative revisions, in its 2007
19 climate change report required by subsection (d) of section 22a-200a of
20 the general statutes.

21 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) (a) Not later than October 1,
22 2007, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, in consultation
23 with the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, shall establish a greenhouse
24 gas labeling program for new motor vehicles with a gross vehicle
25 weight of not less than ten thousand pounds sold or leased in the state
26 with a model year of 2009 or later.

27 (b) Greenhouse gas labels under this program shall include the
28 vehicle's greenhouse gas score, as determined by the United States
29 Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department
30 of Energy, comparing the vehicle's greenhouse gas emissions with the
31 greenhouse gas emissions from all vehicle models of the same model
32 year for which a label is required, presented in both a continuous bar
33 format and a single qualitative score, or an alternative graphical
34 representation that the Commissioner of Environmental Protection
35 determines will more effectively convey the information to consumers.
36 The label shall also include the average greenhouse gas score for
37 vehicles within the same vehicle class as the vehicle to which the label
38 is affixed and any other relevant information, as determined by the
39 Commissioner of Environmental Protection.

40 (c) The greenhouse gas label shall be affixed to the driver's side of
41 the front windshield.

42 (d) No new motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of not less
43 than ten thousand pounds with a model year of 2009 or later shall be
44 sold or leased in the state without a greenhouse gas emissions label

45 that meets the requirements of this section affixed to it.

46 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) The Commissioner of
47 Environmental Protection, in consultation with the Commissioner of
48 Motor Vehicles, shall establish or contract for a public education
49 program regarding the vehicle labeling program pursuant to section 3
50 of this act. This program shall also include the dissemination of
51 information about the environmental impact of greenhouse gas
52 emissions from motor vehicles and the impact of vehicle choice on
53 vehicle greenhouse gas emissions.

54 Sec. 5. Subdivision (115) of section 12-412 of the 2006 supplement to
55 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
56 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

57 (115) On and after October 1, 2004, [and prior to October 1, 2008,]
58 the sale of any passenger car utilizing hybrid technology that has a
59 United States Environmental Protection Agency estimated highway
60 gasoline mileage rating of at least forty miles per gallon.

61 Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2006*) (a) There is established the
62 "greenhouse gas reduction account", which shall be a separate,
63 nonlapsing account within the General Fund. Proceeds of the fee paid
64 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall be deposited into said
65 account. Investment earnings credited to the assets of the account shall
66 become part of the assets of the account.

67 (b) A fee of five dollars shall be applied to the sale or lease of a new
68 motor vehicle with a gross weight of not more than ten thousand
69 pounds. Said fee shall be identified as the "greenhouse gas reduction
70 fee" on any sales or lease form.

71 (c) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection may draw upon
72 not more than sixty per cent of the funds deposited into the account to
73 implement the requirements of sections 3 and 4 of this act and the
74 commissioner of motor vehicles may draw upon not more than forty
75 per cent of the funds deposited into the account to implement the

76 requirements of sections 3 and 4 of this act."